

# Ivy Creek

Gracious Retirement Living

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## JUNE 2020

### IVY CREEK STAFF

Managers..... STEVE & LISA VENABLE  
Assistant Managers ..... EDWINA CARTER  
Executive Chef .....AMANDA MUSTO  
Activity Coordinator ..... RACHAEL NOECKER  
Transportation ..... KEITH MOYER

### TRANSPORTATION

**Monday, 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.:**  
Shopping and Errands

**Tuesday, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.:**  
Medical Appointments Only

**Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.:** Outing Day

**Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.:**  
Medical Appointments Only

**Friday, 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.:**  
Shopping and Errands

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## June Information

### June Birthdays

**Marjorie Graham:** June 11

**Millie Pagano:** June 20

**Pete Pfander:** June 20

**Mary Celestino:** June 30

### Mealtime

**Breakfast:** 8:30 a.m.

**Dinner:** 12:30 p.m.

**Supper:** 5:30 p.m.

An assortment of snacks and beverages is available at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

### Community Wellness

**Victoria's Home Care**

Office: 610-544-3037

Located on the Fourth Floor

**The Cutting Corner**

484-800-8223

Hair Salon Located on the First Floor

## Flower for the Month

The rose is the flower for the month of June. The name "rose" is derived from the Latin word "rosa." During the height of Rome, roses were grown extensively in the Middle East and used as medicine, perfumes, and

at celebrations as confetti. The rose is generally known to signify love, beauty, honor, faith and devotion. The meaning of the rose depends on its color. Red roses mean "I love you." Red and white roses together symbolize unity. Pink roses symbolize perfect happiness. White roses symbolize innocence and purity. Yellow roses symbolize friendship or jealousy. A bouquet of roses signifies sincere gratitude while giving a single stem amplifies the meaning of the color.







## Cinco de Mayo Fiesta!

Festivities were held at Ivy Creek to celebrate Cinco de Mayo! All day long our culinary team created some great Mexican food and we also had a “walk thru” party that day. Each resident was given the ‘official’ hat gear – a sombrero – to wear to the party and all staff also wore the sombreros. We celebrated with some great Mexican tunes and the Activities Room was colorfully decorated with cacti, balloons and a pinata. Residents enjoyed being served their own toppings at a nacho bar, churros drizzled with caramel or chocolate and the ever essential margarita mocktail bar was open! The day was filled with fun, fellowship and everyone left to take a siesta after the party!



*Margarita mocktails for all!*



*Joann Robinson looking muy bueno!*



*Ole! Ole! Jody Blohm*



*Connie Gross says Hola!*

## Chair Drumming

Grab a pair of drumsticks! It's chair drumming time at Ivy Creek! Activities Coordinator Rachael leads a group of residents in a chair drumming class. The residents performed the YMCA while using drumsticks and drumming on chairs. Residents sang and tapped along with the beat. Chair drumming uses simple movements and turns them into a workout. Come check out our Chair Drumming Class on Tuesday and Thursday at 9:30 a.m.!







## Great News!

Ivy Creek has a Facebook page! Search Ivy Creek Gracious Retirement Living and like us on Facebook! We will be updating our page in the near future with photos of all the fun we have here at Ivy Creek!

## Mother's Day

The Ivy Creek ladies awoke to find gift bags outside their doors. Each gift bag contained lotion and lip balm for the ladies — a special gift for our special ladies to wake up to on Mother's Day!

Colorful tea pots, fresh flowers, and tables covered in delicious food made Mother's Day special for our gorgeous Ivy Creek Ladies. Each lovely lady was given a rose as they entered the Activity Room for the walk-through Afternoon Tea Party for Mother's Day. Residents lined up to fill their plates with a variety of goodies prepared by the very talented Ivy Creek kitchen staff.

The first table included deviled eggs, finger sandwiches, and heart-shaped soft pretzels were donated by the Gross, Gallagher, and Kelly families. A second table included an assortment of flavored tea bags, coffee, and a refreshing beverage of water infused with cucumbers, oranges and lemons. The third and final table was covered in mouthwatering sweets! Chocolate fudge, blueberry scones, Danishes, and cupcakes with the frosting done up to look like flowers, filled the plates of our residents as the Community celebrated this special holiday.

Thank you, Chef Amanda and the kitchen staff, along with the families for making the beautiful food arrangements for our ladies for their Mother's Day Afternoon Tea Party!



*Beautiful flower cupcakes*



*Heart-shaped soft pretzels*



*Our beautiful ladies*



*High Tea for all the ladies!*

# Brain Bender: What a Catch!

Four buddies—Calvin, Gary, Nate and Stan—went fishing. They each caught a different kind of fish: bass, walleye, perch and trout. From the clues below, can you determine the first and last names of each fisherman, what kind of fish he caught, and how much the fish weighed (3, 6, 8 or 10 pounds)?

1. Stan’s last name isn’t Hall.
2. Calvin, whose last name isn’t Reynolds, didn’t catch the smallest fish.
3. The man who caught the 8-pound fish didn’t catch the walleye.
4. Mr. White didn’t catch the 6-pound trout.
5. Nate caught the perch.
6. The fish were caught in the following order, from smallest to largest: Mr. Hall, Gary Benson, bass, and Calvin.

# Virtual Visits

You can get a free ticket to visit world-famous museums and attractions and use it without leaving the comfort of your chair. A wide range of virtual tours and online exhibits are available at your fingertips. Here are just a few you can explore.

- The Louvre, Paris  
[Louvre.fr/en/visites-en-ligne](http://Louvre.fr/en/visites-en-ligne)
- National Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C.  
[NGA.gov](http://NGA.gov)
- Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History, Washington, D.C.  
[NaturalHistory.SI.edu](http://NaturalHistory.SI.edu)
- San Diego Zoo, San Diego.  
[Zoo.SanDiegoZoo.org](http://Zoo.SanDiegoZoo.org)
- Monterey Bay Aquarium, Monterey, Calif.  
[MontereyBayAquarium.org/animals/live-cams](http://MontereyBayAquarium.org/animals/live-cams)

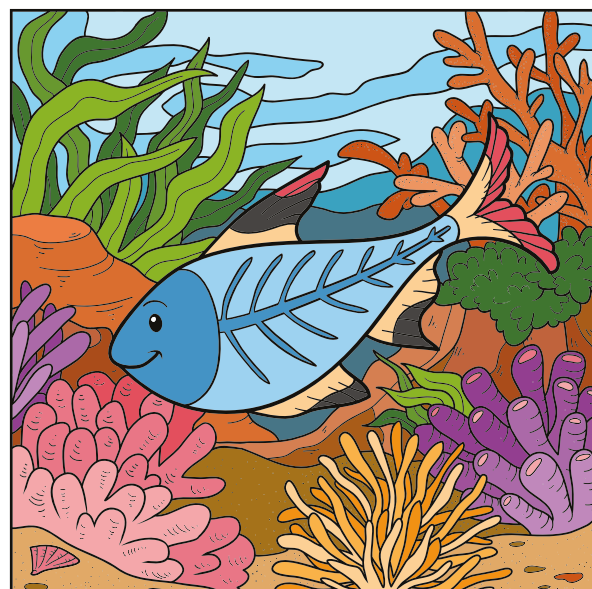
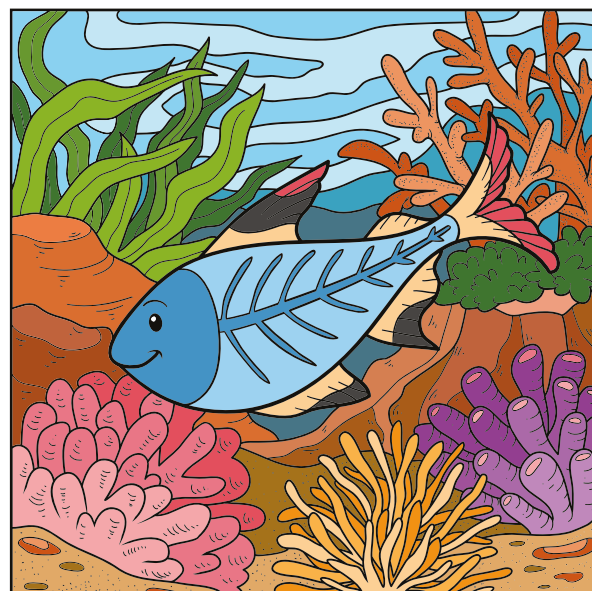
# Summertime Snicker

**Q:** What holds the sun up in the sky?

**A:** Sunbeams!

# Double Take

Fish around and find 10 differences in these two pictures.



# Sudoku

The object of the game is to fill all the black squares with the correct numbers. Each row, column and 3x3 subsection must include all digits 1 through 9 in any order.

	2		1					5
	6	7	2				1	
				5	9			7
		2			1			
3	1			2			7	4
			9			3		
6			4	9				
	4				2	1	8	
2					7		3	

# TV Dads

Match the father figure character to the TV show he appeared in.

## Fictional Father

1. Tim Taylor
2. James Evans Sr.
3. Tom Corbett
4. Steve Douglas
5. Carl Winslow
6. Howard Cunningham
7. Jim Anderson

## TV Show

- A. “Father Knows Best”
- B. “Home Improvement”
- C. “Good Times”
- D. “Family Matters”
- E. “My Three Sons”
- F. “Happy Days”
- G. “The Courtship of Eddie’s Father”

# Puzzle Solutions

## Brain Bender: What a Catch!

Nate Hall caught the 3-pound perch. Gary Benson caught the 6-pound trout. Stan Reynolds caught the 8-pound bass. Calvin White caught the 10-pound walleye.

## TV Dads

1. B; 2. C; 3. G; 4. E; 5. D; 6. F; 7. A

## Word Ladders

1. dad, did, die, tie; 2. golf, gulf, gull, bull, ball; 3. fish, fist, mist, mint, pint, pins, fins

# Word Ladders

In each set below, use the clues to change the first word, one letter at a time, to get the last word.

## DAD

\_\_\_ Took action

\_\_\_ A cube with dots

## TIE

## GOLF

\_\_\_ Wide chasm

\_\_\_ Sea-loving bird

\_\_\_ Bovine patriarch

## BALL

## FISH

\_\_\_ A tightly closed hand

\_\_\_ Tiny water droplets

\_\_\_ Chewing gum flavor

\_\_\_ Two cups

\_\_\_ Sewing accessories

## FINS

9	3	4	7	1	5	8	6	2
6	8	1	2	9	3	5	7	4
2	5	7	8	6	4	1	3	9
1	2	3	5	4	6	9	7	8
4	7	5	9	2	8	6	1	3
8	6	9	1	3	7	2	5	4
7	4	2	6	5	9	3	8	1
3	1	6	4	8	2	7	9	5
5	9	8	3	7	1	4	2	6







## Thank You, First Responders!

The ladies gathered around the tables in the Activity Center to make hearts with thoughtful and heartfelt messages written on them for our local first responders. Glitter and XOs added the finishing touches to the yellow and red hearts. Today's trip was to the Concordville Fire Station.

A group of residents braved a chilly May breeze and gathered around the bus to decorate the windows with the handmade hearts. Keith, our bus driver, kept the heat running on the bus so anyone who got too cold and needed to could hop in the bus to warm up. Covered in hearts and with a small group of residents on-board, our bus took off to the fire station! Due to social distancing, residents remained on the bus, but that did not stop them from thanking the first responders! Residents cheered and tapped on the glass as the first responders walked over to the bus to receive a tray of cookies made by Chef Amanda and a handful of bracelets with the saying "All In This Together" written on them.

After delivering the cookies, Keith took the residents for a scenic drive on the beautiful back roads of Chester County. Keith gave a detailed description of the history of the area and residents took in the scenery. The drive ended with our bus of residents, spontaneously joining in a parade of cars on their way to sing "Happy Birthday" to a little girl. Keith played "Happy Birthday" and opened the bus doors so the residents could sing to the little girl.

Thank you, Keith, for making our first responders trip memorable and many thanks to our first responders for being there for us!



*Glitter everywhere!*



*Thank you to our first responders! "All In This Together"*



*Let's decorate the bus!*





## Welcome, Rachael!

Rachael Noecker joined Ivy Creek in May as the Activities Coordinator. She grew up in Pottsville, Pennsylvania, and moved to Wilmington, Delaware, in 2008. Rachael attended Lock Haven University of Pennsylvania and graduated with a bachelor's degree in social work. She has more than 10 years of experience developing and coordinating activities for older adults. She is also a registered medical assistant. After working in a doctor's office for a number of years, Rachael missed coordinating events and decided to go back to being an activities coordinator.

In her free time, Rachael spends time reading, hiking and hanging out with friends and family. She also volunteers with the animal rescue Forgotten Cats. As a volunteer, she helps coordinate adoption events for the kitties and recruits and trains new volunteers. If she is not working on the weekends, she can be found in the cat adoption center or in the shelter taking care of the kitties.

Rachael is happy she decided to go back into coordinating activities. She is excited to be here at Ivy Creek and is looking forward to getting to know the residents and helping plan special events for them. She is cheering for the Yankees in Edwina's Bean Bag Baseball tournament and is especially looking forward to planning the baseball event for when the Yankees win the World Series!

Welcome, Rachael! We are looking forward to making fun-filled memories here at Ivy Creek!

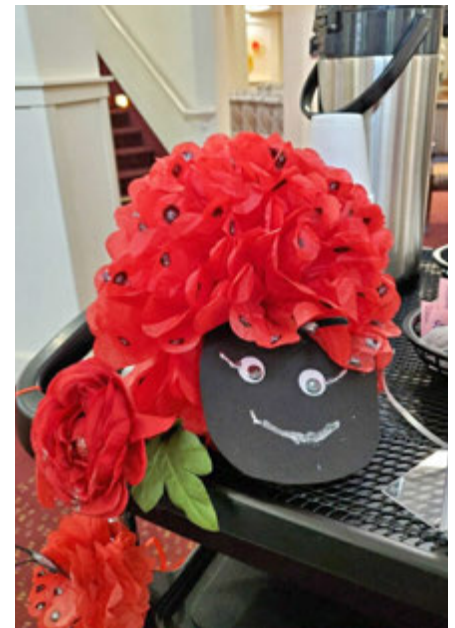


## The Love Bug Carts!

As part of our Mother's Day celebration, residents helped design the Love Bug Carts! Residents created two Love Bug Carts by decorating them with cute ladybugs made out of red pom-poms, black foam, black string for antennae, googly eyes, and lots of silver glitter! The residents took the time to "fluff up" the pom-poms and hand draw black spots on each and every one. Each resident took a ladybug making station. The ladies worked together as a team to attach the ladybug heads to the pom-poms, along with the googly eyes and antennae, which were each dipped in silver glitter. The ladybugs were completed with a glittery silver smile. The glitter station was the messiest station of them all! Every single person who worked on this project had glitter on them regardless of which station they worked at.



*Ladybug cupcakes*



The residents attached the pretty ladybugs along with red roses and red hearts to the Love Bug Carts. In addition, each cart had a sign that read "We love our beautiful ladies!" For a finishing touch, the residents created "ladybug" balloons to attach to each sign. The residents took the time to draw black spots on each balloon. Some balloons even had hearts drawn on them.

The Love Bug Carts made their way room to room to deliver beautiful cupcakes to each of our Ivy Creek residents. Residents got to choose to have either a chocolate or vanilla cupcake along with a beverage. The cupcakes were even decorated as ladybugs with red frosting and black spots! What a delicious treat and fun way to start off Mother's Day and to celebrate our beautiful ladies!



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